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FOR AMBASSADOR LODGE'S OFFICE

E.O. 11652: N/A

TAGS: PFOR, VT

SUBJECT: PRESIDENTIAL MESSAGE TO POPE PAUL VI

1. PLEASE TRANSMIT THE FOLLOWING MESSAGE TO POPE PAUL ON  
SEPTEMBER 26:

QUOTE: YOUR HOLINESS: ON BEHALF OF THE AMERICAN PEOPLE,  
I WISH TO CONVEY HEARTFELT CONGRATULATIONS ON THE OCCASION  
OF YOUR SEVENTY-NINTH BIRTHDAY. YOUR UNFAILING EFFORTS  
ON BEHALF OF WORLD PEACE AND JUSTICE ARE AN INSPIRATION  
TO ALL THE PEOPLE OF THE WORLD. SINCERELY, GERALD R. FORD.  
UNQUOTE.

2. WHITE HOUSE DOES NOT PLAN TO RELEASE TEXT, BUT HAS NO  
OBJECTION TO RECIPIENT DOING SO. ROBINSON

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## Message Attributes

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